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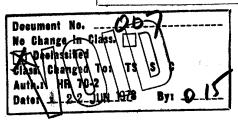
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- The Hoemun-dong (129-40, 41-26) Airfield is 400 meters northwest of Hoemun railway station. It is about one kilometer in length and the same in width; the periphery is planted with a row of pine trees. The field was planned and laid out by the Japanese but construction was actually accomplished under the Soviet occupation forces.
- The runways are cement surfaced. There are three hangars, including one with a black metal roof, and one underground tunnel hangar of reinforced concrete. Equipment includes two Soviet-made trucks, one tractor, one gasoline tank truck, and one propeller rotor. Weapons on the field are four anti-aircraft machine guns, three Japanese heavy machine guns, twenty-two tormy guns, fifty-five Type R rifles, and eight pistols. Three training planes of Japanese manufacture and six Soviet fighters are stationed on the field.
- 3. Hosmun Field is commanded by Major KIN Sok-kyun (金章形), aged 38. His personnel include 1 air force captain and 15 instructors, 90 trainees who have graduated from Pyongyang Aviation Institute, and 32 maintenance and ground crew men who are also under training. About 20 ground crew students and several more pilot trainees were expected to arrive at the field in May.

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